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February 26, 2015

BOB MARTIN Commissioner

Beth A. Williams Tetra Tech 240 Continental Drive, Suite 200 Newark, DE 19713

Re: City of Pleasantville Main Street Streetscape Improvement Plan

Dear Ms. Williams:

Thank you for your data request regarding rare species information for the above referenced project site in Pleasantville City, Atlantic County.

Searches of the Natural Heritage Database and the Landscape Project (Version 3.1) are based on a representation of the boundaries of your project site in our Geographic Information System (GIS). We make every effort to accurately transfer your project bounds from the topographic map(s) submitted with the Request for Data into our Geographic Information System. We do not typically verify that your project bounds are accurate, or check them against other sources.

We have checked the Landscape Project habitat mapping and the Biotics Database for occurrences of any rare wildlife species or wildlife habitat on the referenced site. The Natural Heritage Database was searched for occurrences of rare plant species or ecological communities that may be on the project site. Please refer to Table 1 (attached) to determine if any rare plant species, ecological communities, or rare wildlife species or wildlife habitat are documented on site. A detailed report is provided for each category coded as 'Yes' in Table 1.

We have also checked the Landscape Project habitat mapping and Biotics Database for occurrences of rare wildlife species or wildlife habitat in the immediate vicinity (within ¼ mile) of the referenced site. Additionally, the Natural Heritage Database was checked for occurrences of rare plant species or ecological communities within ¼ mile of the site. Please refer to Table 2 (attached) to determine if any rare plant species, ecological communities, or rare wildlife species or wildlife habitat are documented within the immediate vicinity of the site. Detailed reports are provided for all categories coded as 'Yes' in Table 2. These reports may include species that have also been documented on the project site.

The Natural Heritage Program reviews its data periodically to identify priority sites for natural diversity in the State. Included as priority sites are some of the State's best habitats for rare and endangered species and ecological communities. Please refer to Tables 1 and 2 (attached) to determine if any priority sites are located on or in the vicinity of the site.

A list of rare plant species and ecological communities that have been documented from the project site, referenced above, can be downloaded from http://www.state.nj.us/dep/parksandforests/natural/heritage/countylist.html. If suitable habitat is present at the project site, the species in that list have potential to be present.

Status and rank codes used in the tables and lists are defined in EXPLANATION OF CODES USED IN NATURAL HERITAGE REPORTS, which can be downloaded from http://www.state.nj.us/dep/parksandforests/natural/heritage/nhpcodes\_2010.pdf.

If you have questions concerning the wildlife records or wildlife species mentioned in this response, we recommend that you visit the interactive NJ-GeoWeb website at the following URL, http://www.state.nj.us/dep/gis/geowebsplash.htm or contact the Division of Fish and Wildlife, Endangered and Nongame Species Program at (609) 292-9400.

PLEASE SEE 'CAUTIONS AND RESTRICTIONS ON NHP DATA', which can be downloaded from http://www.state.nj.us/dep/parksandforests/natural/heritage/newcaution2008.pdf.

Thank you for consulting the Natural Heritage Program. The attached invoice details the payment due for processing this data request. Feel free to contact us again regarding any future data requests.

Sincerely,

Robert J. Cartica Administrator

c: NHP File No. 15-3907445-7185

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|   |  | Date   |                | Invoice # |
|---|--|--|----------------|-----------|
|   |  | 2/26/2015  |                | 7185      |
| Bill to:<br>Tetra Tech<br>240 Continental Drive, Suite 200<br>Newark, DE 19713              |  | Make check payable to:  Office of Natural Lands Management  And forward with a copy of this statement to:  Mail Code 501-04  Office of Natural Lands Management  P.O. Box 420 Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0420 |                |           |
| Quantity (hrs.)   | Description  |  | Rate (per hr.) | Amount    |
| 1   | Charge for Natural Heritage Database rare species and ecological communitie information.  Project: 15-3907445-7185 |  | \$ 70.00       | \$ 70.00  |
| Beth A. Williams Project Name: City of Pleasantville Main Street Streetsca Improvement Plan |  | аре  | Total          | \$ 70.00  |

Table 1: On Site Data Request Search Results (7 Possible Reports)

| Report Name   | <u>Included</u> | Number of Pages  |
|---|-----------------|------------------|
| 1. Possibly on Project Site Based on Search of Natural Heritage Database:<br>Rare Plant Species and Ecological Communities Currently Recorded in the<br>New Jersey Natural Heritage Database                          | No              | 0 pages included |
| 2. On or In the Immediate Vicinity of the Project Site Based on Search of the Natural Heritage Database: Rare Plant Species and Ecological Communities Currently Recorded in the New Jersey Natural Heritage Database | No              | 0 pages included |
| 3. Natural Heritage Priority Sites On Site  | No              | 0 pages included |
| 4. Rare Wildlife Species or Wildlife Habitat on the Project Site Based on<br>Search of Landscape Project 3.1 Species Based Patches  | No              | 0 pages included |
| 5. Vernal Pool Habitat on the Project Site Based on Search of Landscape Project 3.1   | No              | 0 pages included |
| 6. Rare Wildlife Species or Wildlife Habitat on the Project Site Based on<br>Search of Landscape Project 3.1 Stream Habitat File  | No              | 0 pages included |
| 7. Other Animal Species On the Project Site Based on Additional Species Tracked by Endangered and Nongame Species Program   | No              | 0 pages included |

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Table 2: Vicinity Data Request Search Results (6 possible reports)

| Report Name   | <u>Included</u> | Number of Pages  |
|---|-----------------|------------------|
| 1. Immediate Vicinity of the Project Site Based on Search of Natural Heritage Database Rare Plant Species and Ecological Communities Currently Recorded in the New Jersey Natural Heritage Database | No              | 0 pages included |
| 2. Natural Heritage Priority Sites within the Vicinity  | No              | 0 pages included |
| 3. Rare Wildlife Species or Wildlife Habitat Within the Immediate Vicinity of the Project Site Based on Search of Landscape Project 3.1 Species Based Patches                                       | No              | 0 pages included |
| 4. Vernal Pool Habitat In the Immediate Vicinity of Project Site Based on Search of Landscape Project 3.1   | No              | 0 pages included |
| 5. Rare Wildlife Species or Wildlife Habitat In the Immediate Vicinity of the Project Site Based on Search of Landscape Project 3.1 Stream Habitat File   | No              | 0 pages included |
| 6. Other Animal Species In the Immediate Vicinity of the Project Site<br>Based on Additional Species Tracked by Endangered and Nongame<br>Species Program   | No              | 0 pages included |

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